क्सीकर्णामध्य or Calvert county being whiten Can Stoddert had receivet a de nported from London in the Wallace, and was felling the his faid county, on his own print tence of which they met, at fa he a4th-of October, and upon a and shop-notes. goods treated not appear that there was any a stouddent being called upon by the feat came the feat came the feat came. n them where the fea came first Mr. Molleton's flore at George wherein it appears that there is a rom the affidavits of Mr. Willia ame in bout two years ago with y Mr. Molleson to that place, all to Mr. Stoddert to be difficial ne management of Mr., Mollefort

e fully fatisfied that faid Stoller er acted contrary to the true intat refolves of the general, committee

Per order, OSEPH_WILKINSON, clk. coz.

Hunting-town, Ochber 24, 174 equence of which the above con een circulated with the mol is has undoubtedly left on fore my prejudice not eatily to be e. fore help affuring the public, m vever advantageous to my private ons or threats from my fagerica

induce me to deviate in the the true spirit of the resolution ountry for the general weal .- 1he uch motives as these would in equalled in depravity of heart, by gaters of groundlers fallehoods hat confidence, every America his time) to place in his cour-

n. &c. BENJAMIN C. STODDERT E PUBLIC.

y forry that we are obliged to anon the present occasion, but ou rtunate affair, being highly misnecessary, in justice to our chirue information of the public, is al account of the proceedings on beg your indulgence for the pe hat we are now going to lay be. merit the fevere censure that his

inft, arrived here, the brig Pegn board for us, with many other th half, and eight quarter cheft r arrival, Mr. Anthony Stewart essel) applied to us, and defired captain Jackson with money to id tea, otherwise the vessel could we absolutely refused to do, and rmed Mr. stewart what our deh regard to the tea, and that we following letter to the gentlemen which James Williams immedi-

nd John - Hall, Efgrs. and the ne committee for Anne-Arundel

ing, 10 o'clock, Oct. 14, 1774.

u, that the brig Peggy Stewart, ift arrived from London, and of the 14th May last, have got for us, among which are a few agreeable to our order, yet its ion, as we was in great hopes the een shipped ; but as it have unand are tentible the fale of it at ecable to our friends and neighe willing to leave to your deterbe done with the faid fex, and any measures you may sell oring it—re-shipping its Lon-or otherwise.

lemen,
note obedient,
imble fervants,
FBO. C. WELLIAMS, & Co. delivered by James Williams to. d, one of the gentlemen of the med shim, that the committee ke tin bue afternoon to take the thony Stewart walted on him, at the captain had entered the ir. Stewart) had paid the cuty

tee that were in town, met acat 3 o'clock; and were inhe committee being prefent, it l'a meeting of the people, and Rivers, to meet at half par ning, at the playhoule. They our letter to the committee, 25 which the captain of the brig, ir, were examined, relative to duty, which was found to be quenion was then moved and hould be landed in America er ly carried in the negative. A ton as then appointed to in-clar goods ; after wash the Wednesday the soils infant,

on the preceding Monday, 2 arles Carroll, Liq; (one of tha nittee) to ivir. Stewart and vs destroy the redelir py the ten ourselves, he

ight it would be fatisfactory to the people to h we readily confented, and gave from under our is that we would destroy it immediately, in any her that was thought most proper by them. But proposal, and offer of ours, was, by Mr. Matthias amond, and some others, opposed; upon which it agreed to defer it to the ensuing Wednesday. In mean time hand-bills were dispersed through the mean type Matthias Hammond, to acquaint the people arrival of the tea, and requesting them to meet the Wednesday aforesaid. But no mention being to in the said bills, who gave the committee inforion of the tea being arrived, and finding many false or the tea being statived, and initing many rate bits propagated, greatly to our disadvantage, we ight it incumbent on us to lay before, the people, in convened on Wednesday, an impartial view of conduct on the whole affair, as follows.

Gentlemen, he tea now on board the brig Peggy Stewart, was, ped by Amos Hayton, of London, agreeable to an er of I homas C. Williams, & Co. dated Annapolis, May last, and the order made out by Joseph and hes Williams, who transacts the company's business.
d finding our conduct censured importing this tea, as we are deeply interested in the event, as well as peace and harmony of this province, with permission, therefore take this opportunity to lay before you a e and plain narrative of the part we have acted, and

motives by which we were actuated.
We in October 1773 (as others did) imported tea,
t being the first time we ever imported any from eat-Britain, and finding it to meet with a ready sale, no objection to its importation, we also with our ghbours ordered tea in our spring cargo, which ared in April and May last, and then, (there still being objection to its importation) we on the 14th May also order the tea now unfortunately arrived in the gy Stewart, which we disped to us by Amos Hay-of London, in July last, (and not by our brotheromas as hath been reported) as will appear by copy our letter and order to faid Hayton, us also by the oice of the faid tea, and the letter accompanying it. We did not think till about the beginning of July, it the importation of tea would be stopt, before the heral non-importation took place, (and in a letter ote to our merchant in London, dated 12th July. † defired he would not exceed our former orders in y thing, particularly in tea which our letter book Il also prove.) But soon after, in August, we was nvinced that if the tea ordered was shipped, it wou'd be allowed to be landed, or the duty paid, and om that time we was determined in case it should rive, to give it in immediately to the coordinate mmittee, to do with it what they thought proper; is we told many people before the tea came; which is believe Mr. Thomas Harwood and Mr. Hodge in Il remembere; and on the same subject we also wrote Meff. Samuel and Robert Purviance in September t, which letter we have returned from them, and ady to produce. ‡

On the arrival of the Peggy Stewart here with the tea, e immediately made the committee acquainted thereith. and expressed our readiness to abide by their deterination-with respect to it; and on Mr. stewart's aplication to us for money to pay the duty on the same, to absolutely refused it, or doing any thing concerning until the committee had resolved what shou'd be one with it. And we further declare, that the vessel as enter'd at the cultom house, and the duty paid, ithout our knowledge or confent.

Upon the whole gentlemen, we have endeavoured to before you every particular circumstance that ocurs to us relative to this unhapppy affair, and wish to onceal no part of our conduct therein, and if any ing further should be required of us, we are sincerely niling to give all the fatisfaction in our power, and are eartily forry that any thing of this nature should have appened, which has be n the cause of so much unafiness to you, and the public in general.)

From what has been faid, we hope it will appear learly to you and every candid person, that we have ot acted designedly in this affair, with an intent to ininge in the least any of the resolutions entered into by his province, and likewife, that we have not been ac-uated by any finiter motives; elliptin favour of mi-niferial power, court, court party, or otherwife; and re still declare, as heretofore, that whatever shall be four determination on the occasion, we will oheerfully acquiesce in it.

We are, very respectfully, gentlemen,
Your most obedient,
is,
Humble servants,
Jo. & Ja. WILLIAMS. Annapolis, Cd. 19, 1774. True copy .: JOHN DUCKETT, cl. com-

This letter James Williams waited on Charles Caroll, Esq; with at 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning, at which time Mr. Carroll informed him, the commite would not fit as a committee that day; however that when the people met, the fail letter thould be trad o them, and our other letters and papers examined in public; agreeable to our request. But about 10 o clock the committee met, and fent for us to lay our papers before them for their inspection, which we accordingly did; and on their examining the same, they acknowledged our conduct to be fatisfactory in every particular except in importing so large a quantity, which was all the objections they made. These sentiments of the

There bas not been any topposition lately in this pro-vince against the importation of Genty Ead we the least suf-picion of its being disagreeable, over thou do not order to on any consideration. any confideration ...

+ However its bard to junge what will be done therefore we fearer know bory to after We don't purpost to berdere any thore gooding, and Constitute in done wonthing and done wonthing a milber about our stoofs to have our former orders exceed. ed, especially in seasy for its possible it might hake some flutbance suben it arrives bere; and we would endeavour to all so ai that no complisher can be thrown out ugainst use I But in cust any tea shou decome to us, we shall give it

committee we fully expected would have been made known to the people; but; to our utter disappointment, and greatly to our prejudice, our conduct on the occafion, was kept entirely fecret from them's and instead thereof, a most ungenerous piece, was drawn up by Mathias Hammond, wherein, notwithstanding our candid tellaviour, we are most cruelly made liable to the same degree of censure, as Mr. Stewart who paid the duty, which piece was afterwards produced, and we were called upon to read and acknowledge in the midth of air incented people, wholly unacquainted with our con-duct in the affair. Do we not lay under this fevere censure merely for want of the public's being informed of our behaviour on the occasion? and why stab us thus

in the dark in the most tender part, our characters!

Mr. Hammond in his hand bills of the right instant. fay: "those of the commuter that were in the town, hearing of the arrival of the said vessel, "but why did he not at the same time inform the public, how, and in what manner we made the gentlemen acquainted with its but no—this would be doing an act of justice.

We expected to have seen in the Maryland azzette.

of the 20th instant, a full and impartial state of the whole proceedings on the affair; but to our great, furprize, we find but a very imperfect account thereof; without the least light thrown on our conduct, by which the public might be enabled to form a true judgment of it.

These are the unfair! the ungenerous proceedings; that we think we have just reason to complain of.

-When we ordered this tea, we did nothing more than our neighbours; for it is well known that most mer-chants, both here and in Baltimore, that ordered fall goods, ordered tea as usual: and to our certain know-ledge, in the months of April, May and June last, near thirty chests were imported into this city by dif-ferent merchants, and the duties paid without the least opposition: we therefore think it hard, nay cruel usage, that our characters should be thus blasted for only doing what more people in this province, that are concerned in trade have likewife done,

We now submit our conduct on the whole of this af-fair (in which we have been so unfortunally involved, merely from one imprudent action of Mr. paying the duty on the tea) to the impartial confideration of the publics, and have no doubt, but that upon the perulal of the facts above stated, they will be inclined to withdraw that unjust consure, that from their misinformation, has been so injurjously fixed on us.— We are very respectfully,

I he public's most humble servants, Annapolis, . JOSEPH and JAMES WILLIAMS.

October 1774. N. B. Some unjust reflections having been thrown out against our brother Thomas Charles Williams, charging him with being the shipper of the tea, (and that in a private manner:) we do solemnly declare, that he had no hand in thipping either the tea, or any other of the goods that arrived therewith; which we fully proved (by his and other letters) to the fat sfaction of the committee, on Wednesday the 19th instint.—And we further declare, that to our knowledge, he has not fhipped either tea, or any other article into this pro-vince, fince his departure for England, latt March.

J. and J. W.

At the request of the committee for Anne-Arundel county, the following depositions are inserted.

Baltimore county, ff. THE deposition of captain James Phillips, who being duly fworn on the holy evangels of Almighty God, deposeth and saith, that in the month of July sast past, he, this deponent, was in the city of London, and in company with Mr. Thomas C. Williams, of Annapolis, and heard him fay, that he would import goods, as usual, in spite of their resolves, and that he would import tea, and laugh at them when he had done; that this deponent heard Mr. Williams also say, it was his opinion there would not be any general non-importation agreed to on the continent, or words to that amount, and further faith not.

Sworn to and fubscribed this 18th October, 1774, be-

JA. CALHOUN. True copy. Teft. J. DUCKETT, cl. com.

Baltimore county, ff. T H.E deposition of John county, merchant, who being fworn on the holy evaugels of Almighty God, depoleth and faith, that in the month of July last past, he, this deponent, was in the city of London, that he there faw Thomas Williams, of the city of Anmapolis, merchant, being one of the house of Thomas C. Williams, and Co. that he was several times in company with him, and was converling on the affairs of America; that Mr. Thomas Williams declared that it was his opinion, that the principal people of Philadelphia and New York, would never enter into another non-importation agreement i that he, the faid Thomas Williams, for his part, faid he would not, but that he would import goods as inful, and let him fee the man who would prevent him man further this deponent faith not. no Sworn to this 18th October, 1974, Before in 11 0272

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GUST O MINH O LE Schooner Petley, I. Wayniah, from N. Carolina, Schooner Belvidera, J. Waters, from St. Martins, and all thou and the L. Ep-A p.R. (Ec. D. 1991), and Brig Profperous, Clear Lallow, for Lifton, hicker o Schooner Ninety-two, Joseph Smith, for Salem still

they may think proper, as not are fairfied no donwith le as they may think proper, as not are fairfied no emolyments that we can veap from a know'd be equal to the diffulvant tage of in principal diffulvant in the "Generous" Priends, Capt.

Nairne, Iron Libation, "Italy of the are pur's Sc. I Tho. C. Williams, Sc.Co. A GENERAL affortment of merchanding which the time of the are received by us from Mess. Williams, at dock, and to be sold, wholesale, and retail, at the infual states of autition a day thereof.

Samuel and Robert Purviance, advance, for ready money only.

October 18, 1774. This day arrived from Barbados HE brig Betiey, Capt. Lightburne, with a carge of shotce rum and sugar and Barbados spirit of different ages, which will be Old on good terms, by the subscribers, at their store in Baltimore town.

Who have fill remaining fome St. Kitts rum I

Annapolis, October 19, 1774. S.TRAYED from the sublember, a large black cow, with a small streak of white under her belly, and a black and white face, marked with a crep on the right car, and a fli in the left; the is near calving; was lately brought from the back-woods, and was feen on the road between Mrs. Dorsey's and the vine yard.
Whoever will take up and deliver the faid cow to me,
fall receive a reward of twenty shillings.
THOMAS GASSAWAY, jun.

SOBER industrious single man, who is well acquainted with plantation work, and the proper management of negroes, Tuch a one well iecomended, will meet with great encouragement, by applying to the subscriber near Annapolis. DAVID KERR.

N. B. I hereby forewarn all persons from hunting or shooting on any part of my plantation.

To be fold, on Wednesday the real of Nevember

next, at Broad-creek terry, Kent-Island,

BVERAL negroes, the time of several servant men
and women, houshold furniture, several horses and some black cattle. They will be disposed of at public fale, for ready cash, or tobacco.

JAMES HUTCHINGS, jun.

October 20, 1774. To be fold at public vendue, by the subscriber, living in Baitimore county, on the twenty-first day of December next, at the coffee-house in Annapolis.

IVE tracts of land, lying in Anne Arundel county, on the fours fide of Magotty river, on Deep creek, within four miles of Annapolis; and on the twenty-ninth of December, will be exposed to public faleiat Mr. Joseph Ellicott's mill, fundry tracte of land lying in the county aforefaid, on Patapico Falls, near Messrs. Hood and Elicott's milis: one third of the purchase money to be paid in hand, one other third in fix months, the remaining part in twelve menths, paying interest an giving security if required: the sale to begin at one o'clock, attendance each day will be given by the subscriber. Alfa fundry, horses, mares and cattle to be fold at private fale, ar my dwelling plantation, and at my plantation near Mr. Samuel Worthingtons.

THOMAS CO-KEY. HE tubicriber hereby turewarns ait pemoits from his inclosures. Joseph WILKINS.

A LL pertoils indebted to the effice of Thomas Stiff, late of the city of Annapole, butcher, are requested to make speedy payment, and those to whom he is indebted, are desired to being in their accounts legally attested, that they may be paid ELIZABETH STIFF, Administratix.

R AN away from the subscriber, living in Baiti-more county, near Joseph Scott's Mill in Gunpowder B rrens, Ma-yland, an English convict fervant man, named Allis Ashworth, a weaver by trade, born in Yorkshire, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 in-ches high, he is a very lutty managed though shouldered, fandy co oured hair, red eyes and bard, he talks flow and much on the brogue, had on and took when he went away, a blue double breafted jacket with fleeves, an old white under ditto, an old ofnabrig shirt, a pair of new tow-troufers, a new felt; and a pair of new shoes. Whoever brings the said fellow to the subscriber, or secures him so that his master may get him again, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home, pald by MATTHIAS WISNOR.

N. B. It is fupposed he may change his name to Thomas Owen; and probably may have other cloaths than what he ran away with.

TRAYED or ftolen; a likely fortel forse, near intreen hands high, with a white face, and three white feet, flod all round, paces a travelling gate, (but, moltly inclines to: trots and gallops, well. Who but mostly inclines to troth and gallops well. ever takes up faid, horfe 'and geturns him : fo the fube

ever takes up faid horse and returns him so the subscriber in George town on Patowmack, shall receive
the above rewrit, and reasonable expences from #3

THO RICHARDSON,

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I living in Prince George's county, near Bladdingly, taken up as a stray, a spreel horse, about reamina shall haids high, appears to be eight or nine
years old, has a small blaze in his face, a slit in his
leftent, so perceivable brand; shod before, trots and
gallops. The course may have him again, on proving
his property, and paying charges.

THERE is at the plantation of James Dratter,
taken up as a stray, an iron grey hosse, about

taken up as a filiay, an iron grey ho fe, about thirteen hands high, branded on the off buttock with fomething like I, bas a far in his forchead and fome

faddle spotes of the owner may have him again, on proping property, and paying charges.

Annapolis, August 1, 2774.

HE subscriber, takes, this method to acquain the public, that he hath declined the baking butinets, and as he purposes to leave this province as foon as he can get his affairs fettled, requests all perions in-debted to him to make speedy payment, and all halo

that have demands against him to send in their general that have demands against him to send in their general that have demands against him to send in their general to the send they shall besettled by JORDAN STEIGER.

FOR CHAR I ER.

HE ship Bizabeth Thomas Bogg, master, now lying in Chefter river, will be ready to receive her load in a rew days, for any port in Great Britain. Ireland, or the Streights. For terms, apply to Mellis,

Jimes Dick and Steases at Annapolity or the mafter
on board.